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(54) Title: COMBINATION THERAPY USING A DUAL PPAR ALPHA/GAMMA AGONIST AND AN ANGIOTENSIN II TYPE I RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST

(57) **Abstract:** The present invention relates to the treatment of hypertension and type 2 diabetes, Metabolic Syndrome or a pre-diabetic state, by the administration of a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of a dual PPAR α / γ agonist and an Angiotensin II type I receptor antagonist, including pharmaceutically acceptable salts and solvates of said active ingredients.

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